

REMARKS

The rejection of claims 1-11 under 35 USC §102(b) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,310,768 (Kung) is respectfully traversed on the grounds that the Kung patent fails to disclose or suggest a video signal converter, as claimed, which includes a latch unit for latching a display module to the converter, the latch unit including a fastening member adapted to engage a fastening element extending from a bottom side of the display module, and the latching member being **biased to the latched position by a biasing spring.**

The Kung patent does not disclose or suggest any sort of biasing spring, but to the contrary discloses a latch unit 11 having an operating portion 113 disposed at a back of the main housing 10 for facilitating movement of the latch member 111 of the latch unit 11 between the latching and releasing positions, and a push portion 110 that is disposed at the side of the housing 10 (see Fig. 2 of the Kung patent) for moving the latch member 111 from the releasing position to the latching position. **The latch member 111 of Kung is not biased by a spring to the latched position, but rather must be manually moved to the latch position by pressing the push portion 110.** Thus, the Kung patent clearly does not anticipate the claimed invention.

Furthermore, the latch unit 11 of Kung requires positioning means for releasably retaining the latch member 111 at the latched position, as explained in col. 3, lines 40-50 of the Kung patent. The positioning means includes a stub 114 that is formed on the latch member 111, and a groove 121 that is formed on the main housing 10, and that engages releasably the stub 114 when the latch member 111 is disposed at the latched position. Because the claimed latch member is retaining in the latched position by a biasing spring, both the push portion and the extra positioning means (for retaining the latch member of Kung in the latched position) may be dispensed with, resulting in a latching mechanism that is simpler, more reliable, less expensive, and easier-to-operate than the one disclosed by Kung. As a result, the claimed invention is not only unanticipated by the Kung patent, but also has significant advantages and therefore clearly non-obvious over the teachings of Kung.

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Having thus overcome the sole rejection made in the Official Action, withdrawal of the rejection and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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